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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Visit of Hycon Personnel to Project Headquarters,
8-10 January 1969

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1. [] Hycon Idealist Program Manager,
and [] Contracts, Hycon, came to Project Headquarters
to discuss contractual and budgetary matters relating to
Idealist and for technical discussions pertaining to the "B"
and "H" configuration. Only technical discussions will be
reported in this memo.

2. The following subjects were discussed:

A. Time and money required to bring "H" config.
SN-002 up to OR status. See Memo dated 9 January 69,
Subject: Reassessment of Requirement for "H" Camera,
(IDEA-0087-69).

B. Status of spares, parts, monies to support
"H" configurations. I was informed we were in good
shape here. However, the undersigned was not present
at separate discussions held with appropriate
Project Headquarters personnel (i.e., [] and
others).

C. The problem of determining magnitude of resolution
loss with both the "B" and "H" configurations due to
problems of obtaining thermal stabilization was
presented by [] to representatives of Project
Hdqs. (Those in attendance were [])

[] All
agreed it was a complex problem but Project Hdqs.
were still needing data which could be used by our
Operations people to determine what resolution losses
would be if configurations were required to take
photography prior to time the Q-bay reaches thermal
equilibrium. [] will attempt to get us those
numbers in the very near future.

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3. [] is spending 9 and 10 January 1969 at NPIC
evaluating the B-2 take from Mission 0049A flown at [] on
7 January 1969 and another B mission flown at McCoy AF Base,
Florida, during the [] exercise held in September 1968.
Hopefully, evaluation of these missions may help determine our
loss of resolution due to variations in Q-bay temperatures.

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